

REMARKS

The Office Action of January 29, 2008 presents the examination of claims 16-25, 27, 29, 31 and 32. Claims 17-25, 27, 29, 31 and 32 are indicated as allowed.

Claim 16 stands rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. In particular, the Examiner indicates that the term “having sufficient fermentability” is indefinite, as it is unclear for what purpose the fermentability must be sufficient. Claim 16 is amended to clarify that the fermentability is sufficient to “expand” a bread dough of either a high-sugar or low-sugar dough. Though the word “expand” is not expressly found in the specification, Applicants note the volumetric tests described in Example 6, beginning at page 20 of the specification, and the knowledge of the skilled artisan that breads are made to “rise” during a part of their baking.

Applicants submit that the amendment to claim 16 is well-supported by the specification and that the amendment to claim 16 clarifies its language so as to overcome the instant rejection. If for some reason the Examiner disagrees, he is requested to please contact the undersigned to discuss some alternative amendment to place the application into condition for allowance.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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